Regulatory Matters

Workshop on Technology in Regulatory Development

Technology in Regulatory Development will provide a forum for various federal agencies to demonstrate and discuss the use of technologies to improve regulatory development. The workshop will:

- Provide in-depth, interactive experience with regulatory development technologies,
- Encourage dialogue and collaboration between federal agencies, and
- Introduce the Regulatory Matters Collaboration Space.

Save the Date
August 19 & 20, 2008

Agenda Overview

The workshop will include plenary sessions, as well as technology demonstrations of approximately eight federal regulatory development tools. In addition, Help Desk sessions will provide the opportunity for one-on-one discussions with the presenters and networking. The meeting will conclude with a plenary session on gaps in regulatory development technologies and an open forum discussion on next steps in technology development and collaboration. For more information, please see the attached draft agenda. Future agenda updates will be available at http://www.epa.gov/opeihome/orpm.html.

Intended Audience

Federal government employees who use or manage their agency's regulatory development processes are encouraged to attend. Please note that this event is not a training class, but an opportunity for federal agencies to demonstrate their regulatory development technologies to encourage collaboration. Please help spread the word by forwarding this announcement to colleagues who might be interested.

Date and Location

The workshop will be on August 19 & 20 in Washington, D.C. at the Academy for Educational Development Conference Center. It will begin at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday and end by 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday.

Registration

Registration and other conference information, including a list of nearby hotels, will be available in early July at http://www.epa.gov/opeihome/orpm.html. There is no registration fee.

Call for Agenda Ideas and Speakers

To provide attendees with the best possible workshop, we welcome your ideas on the agenda! It is a work in progress and will be revised based on feedback received. Feel free to send us your ideas for session topics and/or speakers.

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Regulatory Matters: Technology in Regulatory Development
Draft Agenda – June 26, 2008

Goal: Facilitate the development and use of technology to improve regulatory development

Objectives: (1) Provide in-depth, interactive experience with regulatory development technologies, (2) Encourage dialogue and collaboration between federal agencies, (3) Announce the Regulatory Matters Collaboration Space and register new members.

Intended Audience: Federal government managers and staff that use regulatory development technologies (not technical developers)

August 19, 2008 – Day 1	
9:00 – 9:30	*Registration*
Opening Session	
9:30 – 10:00	Opportunities for Increasing Efficiency and Collaboration in Regulatory Development *Speaker: TBA*
Technology Demo I: Tracking Tools	
10:00 – 10:40	RAPIDS & SCOUT *Speaker: Ken Munis, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)*
10:40 – 10:50	*Break*
10:50 – 11:30	Integrated Rulemaking Information System & Cyberdocs *Speaker: Cindy Nordlie, Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)*
11:30 – 12:00	Rulemaking Management System *Speaker: Neil Eisner, Department of Transportation (DOT)*
12:00 – 1:00	*Lunch* (on your own)
Technology Demo II: Regulation Writer Tools	
1:00 – 1:40	Office of Federal Register Cost Savings With XML Tags *Speaker: Marcia Cash, Department of Interior: Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS)*
1:40 – 2:20	Information Collection Request, Review and Approval System (ICRAS) [Tentative] *Speaker: TBD*
Technology Demo III: Collaboration Tools	
2:20 – 3:20	[Placeholder]
Help Desk / Break	
3:20 – 4:00	*During the refreshment break, attendees will participate in an open session where they will have the opportunity to ask more specific questions and test drive technologies presented that day. Please take advantage of this time to meet and mingle with your fellow regulatory development colleagues!*
4:00	*Adjourn for Day*

August 20, 2008 – Day 2	
8:45 – 9:00	**_Welcome Back_**
	Technology Demo III: Collaboration Tools (continued)
9:00 – 9:25	Regulatory Collaboration Systems: DOT Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration Rule Writing Portal _Speaker: TBD_
9:25 – 9:50	Bridging the Communications Gap via Technology: EPA Portal _Speakers: TBD_
	Help Desk / Break
9:50 – 10:20	_During the refreshment break, attendees will participate in an open session where they will have the opportunity to ask more specific questions and test drive technologies presented that day._
	Filling Gaps in Regulatory Development Technology
10:20 – 10:45	Regulatory Matters Collaboration Space _Speaker: Minh-Hai Tran-Lam, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)_
10:45 – 11:10	Developing Regulatory Development Technologies: Web 2.0 _Speaker: Jeffrey Levy, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)_
11:10 – 11:30	How can federal agencies benefit from each other? _Speaker: TBD_
11:30 – 12:00	Open Forum (Facilitated Discussion) ▪ What is the vision for future technologies? ▪ What have we learned here? ▪ What pieces do we have already? ▪ How do we go forward and share them?
12:00	**_Adjourn Conference_**